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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed on attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Copies of the listed documents required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2) are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R §§ 1.97(g),(h), this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made, and is not to be

construed to be an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b).

Additionally, with regard to U.S. Patent 6,305,180 ("the '180 Patent"), Applicant respectfully points out that the '180 Patent issued on October 23, 2001 from an application filed in the U.S. on September 12, 2000. Applicant therefore submits that the '180 Patent is not prior art to the instant application. See 35 U.S.C. § 102(e). Nonetheless, the '180 Patent is referred to the Examiner out of an abundance of caution in complying with Applicant's duty of candor.

As this paper is being filed before receipt of a first Office Action, no fees are believed to be due in connection with the filing of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement; however, should any additional fees be required for any reason relating to the enclosed materials, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Deposit Account No. 01-2508/11564.0034.NPUS00.

Applicant respectfully requests that the listed documents be made of record in the present case.

Respectfully submitted,

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